

## San Diego Police Department

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POLICE INVESTIGATE MURDER/SUICIDE IN SERRA MESA

San Diego Police Department homicide detectives are investigating the deaths of a man and woman, found inside an apartment located in the 3300 block of Wainright Lane, as an apparent

murder/suicide.

At 12:39 p.m., San Diego Police Communications Division received a call from neighbors reporting a family disturbance taking place in front of an apartment. Officers arrived to find a 36 year old male pulling a 26 year old female back inside their apartment through the front door. The man was armed with a gun and barricaded the two of them inside the apartment, refusing to communicate

with the officers.

SWAT officers and negotiators were called to the apartment, but the male refused to communicate with the negotiators. At approximately 3:40 p.m., SWAT officers were able to open the front door of the apartment, discovering the man and woman dead of apparent gunshot wounds.

The deceased have been tentatively identified, but their names are being withheld pending confirmation and complete family notification.

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